



# Regional CHP Application Centers

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Southeast Regional CHP Application Center  
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# ORIGINS – RACs

- **BCHP Working Group**
  - USDOE, ORNL, Utilities, R&D Organizations
  - 1999 Consensus Roadmap
- **US DOE / EPA CHP Challenge ('98)**
  - 2000 CHP Roadmap
- **Selection of UIC's ERC as Pilot RAC (2001)**
- **Initial Scope:**
  - Education and outreach
  - Project Support





# BCHP Working Group



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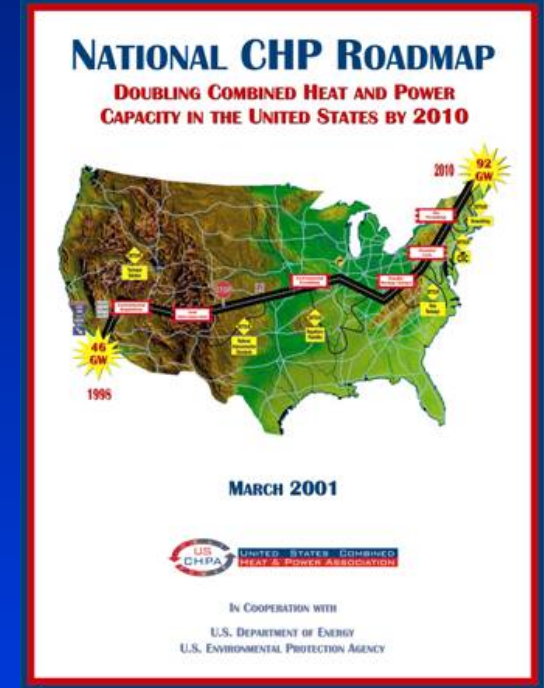
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# U.S. DOE CHP Vision and Technology Roadmap

## REGIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1) Raise CHP Awareness - Create new and support existing CHP awareness efforts by Regional and State Groups
- 2) Conduct a coordinated outreach campaign to educate architects, building designers, and local building and other code officials about CHP
- 3) Provide SWAT team technical assistances to those interested in installing CHP Systems



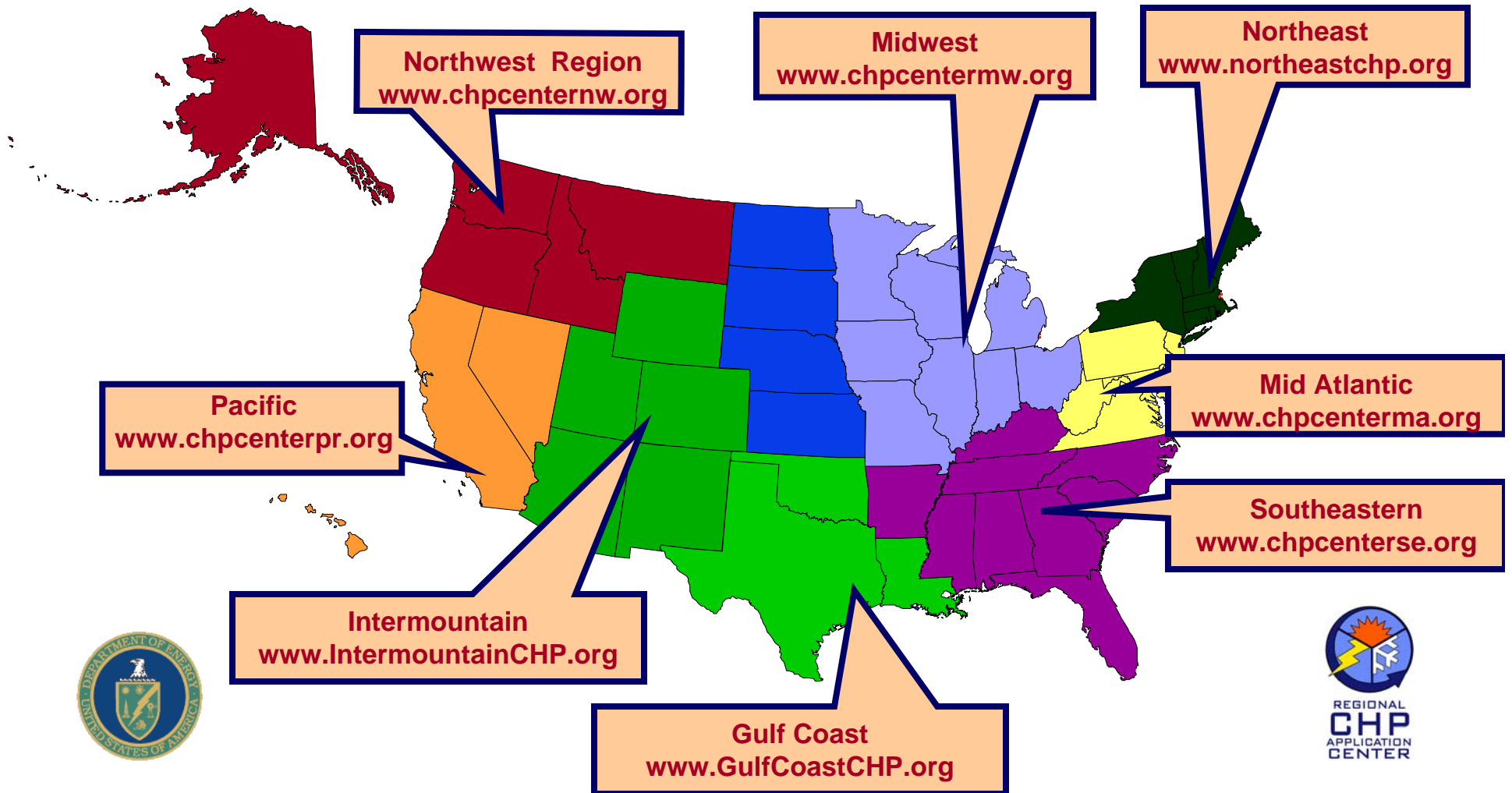
# Regional CHP Application Centers

- **Purpose: DOE Headquarters Program to lead regional deployment of CHP technologies thru:**
  - **Educating regional players on benefits of CHP technologies, while reducing perceived risks**
  - **Providing project specific support**
  - **Providing feedback to DOE and industry regarding future R&D program needs**
  - **Providing regional coordination and implementation of DOE projects**



# Regional Application Centers

The regional application centers will promote combined heating and power (CHP) technology and practices, serve as a central repository and clearinghouse of CHP information, and identify and help implement regional CHP projects.



# RACs vs. Initiatives

- RAC – DOE Funded entity providing Education and Outreach and Project Support to develop CHP market
- Regional Initiatives – Voluntary, Ad-hoc organizations driving roadmap actions and Advocacy efforts in the Regions
  - **Provide insight and direction to RAC**
  - **Provide a mechanism to disseminate RAC results**
  - **RAC provides horsepower to implement ideas**



# LEVERAGE



# RAC Services Offered

- **Education and Outreach**
  - Website (Available & Updated)
  - Focused Training and Educational Courses
  - Workshops / Conferences
  - Regulatory Interactions
  - Project Profiles / Case Studies
- **Project Support**
  - Site Evaluations (Screening)
  - Application Analysis (Tech / Financial)
  - Technical Assistance



# RAC Operational Timeline

- **Year 1**

- **Getting word out that RAC exists**
- **Regional Roadmap Workshop**
  - » **Markets identified and prioritized**
- **Website launched**
- **Initial presentations at workshops put on by others**
- **State Baseline studies for targeted states**
- **Beginning of project profiles**
- **Meetings of Initiative or RAC Advisory Board**

- **Year 2**

- **Focused Training and Targeted Workshops**
- **Focused Project Profile Development**
- **Technical Assistance Program up and running**
  - » **Beginning of Site Evaluations**



# Tools (Developed by RACs)

- **Economic / Site Feasibility Analysis**
- **Training Courses / CHP Primer (MW)**
- **Best Practices Installation Seminar for Project Developers (NE, MW)**
- **CHP Graduate Level Education (MW, SE)**
- **CHP Site Walkthrough Screening Guide (MW)**
- **Environmental Permitting Guidebook (MW, NE)**
- **CHP Resource Guidebook (MW)**
- **Hospital / Healthcare Targeted Market Materials (ORNL, MW)**
- **Heat Map – District Energy Planning and Assessment**



# Tools (Developed by others)

- **US DOE / ORNL CHP Education and Outreach Projects**
  - **University Case Studies (IDEA)**
  - **Opportunity Fuels Report (RDC)**
  - **Project Installation Database (EEA)**
  - **Industrial Association Outreach (USCHPA)**
  - **Urban Planning (GTI)**
  - **State Issue Project (EEA and ACEEE)**
  - **Numerous Market Studies**
- **Recycled Energy Materials**
- **Other Govt Agencies**
  - **HUD CHP Guidebook**
  - **Steam Program, CHP Analysis Tool**
- **Economic Analysis Tools**
- **USDOE / ORNL Product Development and Deployment**



# RAC Accomplishments

- **Regional Roadmap Workshops**
  - » In 2004, all 6 RACs engaged in developing regional roadmaps to mobilize personnel and identify areas of focus
  - » Some RACs used forum to build Stakeholder advisory groups or Initiatives – coalitions to drive policy change
- **Websites**
  - » Each RAC has an established website as an educational source to end-users, policy makers and other stakeholders
- **Collaboration with EPA CHP Partnership**
  - » Efforts to Develop CHP in the Ethanol Industry
  - » Commencement of efforts for Waste Water Treatment Facilities



# RAC Accomplishments

- **Market Specific Workshops / Forums**

- » Hospitals and Healthcare
- » Waste Heat to Power, Heat-Map Training
- » CHP Best Practices for A/E Firms
- » CHP for Dairy Farms
- » Waste Water Treatment and Landfill facilities (8/05)
- » CA University facility managers working group

- **State Education & Outreach**

- » PUCs – Interconnection and Tariffs; Economics; Grid Support & Project identification (University of Utah)
- » Influencing Strategic Energy Planning (NWPPC, Nevada EE-RE Task Force, City of Chicago, MADRI)

- **Several 100 MWs affected**

- » From small buildings to large industrials, project support efforts are paying off



# RAC Coordination Activities

- **Purpose:**
  - To leverage work already done to optimize performance of RACs
  - To identify regional strengths that can be applied nationally
  - To coordinate ongoing work, especially for market sector development (i.e. hospitals, schools, industrial)



# RAC Coordination Activities

- **Regional Kickoff Meetings**
  - Set expectations / communication
  - Identify Strengths
- **Quarterly Working Group Calls**
- **Semi-Annual Face to Face Meetings**
  - To educate RACs on results of DOE and Industry Projects
  - To coordinate with other govt entities
    - » EPA CHP Partnership
  - To exchange information on best practices and new tools
  - To build relationships between the Regions
- **CHP Application Center Toolkit**



# Southeast Challenges & Opps

## Challenges

- **Low cost of power**
- **Strong IOUs**
- **No deregulation**

## Opportunities

- **Gas on Margin in some states**
- **Good cooling and humidity loads with building issues**
- **Hurricanes / Storms**  
– **Need for reliable power**



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